

JOHN CROSBIE

Minister of Fisheries and Oceans and Minister for the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency

Mr. Crosbie was born in St. John's, Newfoundland, in 1931. After graduating from Dalhousie Law School in Halifax, Nova Scotia, he did post-graduate work at the University of London and the London School of Economics. He was called to the Bar of Newfoundland in 1957. Mr. Crosbie's career in public life began at the municipal level in 1965 when he was elected Deputy Mayor of St. John's. The following year, he entered provincial politics and became the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing. He also held a number of other key provincial portfolios including Finance, Fisheries, and Intergovernmental Affairs. He was elected as a Member of Parliament in 1976 and has served in the following capacities: Finance (1979-80), Justice (1984-86) Transport (1986-88) and International Trade (1988-91).

He became Minister of Fisheries and Oceans and Minister for the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency in April 1991, and is a member of many Cabinet Committees.